



Governor Philip King Public School 'Our school exists for children'

Week 3 Term 3
30 July 2013

From the Principal...

Education Week - This week we celebrate the wonderful work that goes on in our Public Schools. It is a time to celebrate and recognise the achievements of our talented teachers and the wonderful successes experienced by our students. The theme of education week this year is 'Celebrating our Stories'. Each day in public schools across the region, students are involved in quality lessons and experiences which shape the people they will become. It is gratifying to see the outstanding programs, initiatives and opportunities that take place here at our school. We look forward to seeing many parents and community members at school throughout the week helping us to celebrate the wonderful things that happen at Governor Philip King.

Walkathon - We are hoping our students are eagerly gathering sponsors for the upcoming Walkathon, which will be held on Wednesday 18 September. The P&C are busily preparing for the event, including organising some great prizes, particularly for the top fundraisers. We are hoping the community will get behind this event and help us raise money for additional resources for our students.

2014 Kindergarten Enrolments - We are busily planning Kindergarten Orientation visits for students beginning school next year. These visits are vital for your child becoming familiar with the school environment, identifying some friendly faces and getting to know some of the other children who will be starting Kindergarten next year. These visits also give us an opportunity to assess whether your child is ready to start school, particularly for students who turn 5 in May, June and July next year. If you have a child, or you know of any children in the Edensor Park area who will be ready to start school next year, please call into the office ASAP to collect the appropriate enrolment forms and paperwork.

Anaphylaxis - As mentioned previously in the school newsletter, we have a number of students who have severe allergies to various food products. These students have specific health care plans in place to ensure their safety and appropriate medical care if required. These allergies are extremely serious, and as most of us can only imagine, worrying for parents. We are asking parents to be extremely mindful of the food products that are sent to school. It would be greatly appreciated if parents can avoid products such as peanut butter, nutella or any nut product. If we work together as a community and support these students and parents we can avoid creating a severe medical situation.

Personalised Learning and Support Tool (PLASST) 2013 Trial - During the next few weeks our school, along with other public schools in the area, will be participating in the trial of a new tool (PLASST) being developed by the Department of Education and Communities for teachers to identify the learning and support needs of their students.

This trial is focussed on the development of a sound and reliable online tool that, when finalised, can be used by teachers in collaboration with parents and carers to identify the strengths and educational needs of students with additional learning and support needs. This information will assist schools in planning and personalising learning and support for individual students who require adjustments in their day to day learning.

The trial will involve teachers completing an online questionnaire about the educational needs of some of their students. Students themselves will not be required to complete any additional work or be formally assessed as part of the trial. This trial will not impact on students' education provisions.

Further information about the PLASST trial, including the collection and use of data in the trial, will be provided by the school in a letter to parents and carers.

If you have any questions about the PLASST trial, would like to discuss your child's involvement or would prefer that your child does not participate, please telephone the school on 96108955 and speak to either Miss Sofi or Mr Corcoran.

Newsletter

Special Swimming Scheme - Applications are now closed. No further applications will be accepted.

When to start school - Starting school is a big step. How do you know if your child is ready? This video Kindergarten features teachers discussing this sometimes tricky issue.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/is-my-child-ready-to-start-school>

I have fun with faces - Try our fun, free app that helps pre-schoolers develop their reading and numeracy skills. Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/educational-games/i-have-fun-with-faces>

Book Fair News - Book Fair is on all this week in the library. Come along and check out the great books we have for sale. Eftpos facilities are available for the duration of the fair. Spend \$20.00 at the fair to be in the raffle to win \$60.00 worth of goodies from the fair. Love to help and assist you to choose a book. See you soon. Ms Halabe.

Values Education - The value for Weeks 3 & 4 is Perseverance. Perseverance is the ability to persist at what we have chosen to do even in the face of difficulties. We work steadily one step at a time until we have accomplished our task. Determination is having the willpower and strength of mind to resolve to be set on a task until it is completed. Mrs Kumar. Student Engagement.

Hats - Even though it is winter, all students are required to wear a school hat at lunch and recess break. Our school has a firm policy which outlines that students who do not wear a school hat will be required to stay under a sheltered area during playtimes. Our uniform policy clearly states that a school hat is part of the uniform requirement as endorsed by the P&C. Surf hats, coloured hats and other logo types of hats are not an acceptable part of the school uniform and should be kept at home. Parents are encouraged to ensure students wear the correct uniform (including hats) to school each day. School hats are available for sale through the school office at a cost of \$15.

P&C News

Thanks to all the families that have supported our Fathers' Day orders. Fathers' Day orders are now closed and are now being processed. They will be distributed to your children in the week before Fathers' Day.

Once again thanks to the P&C who ran the second hand uniform stall last week, and to the parents who came and bought uniforms. The money raised will go directly back to help the children. Keep bringing any unwanted uniforms into the office for the P&C second hand uniform stall. We appreciate your support.

Keep collecting sponsorship for the Walkathon. There is plenty of time to get more sponsors.

There will be a sausage sizzle order form coming out soon for the Junior Sports Carnival on the 28th August.

The next P&C meeting will be on Wednesday August 7th. All welcome to attend. Mark Cavanaugh. P&C President.

PSSA Results Round 8 -

Team	Results		Player of the Match
	W/L/D	Score	
Year 3 Netball	W	14-1	Naomi Kevarkis
Year 4 Netball	D	7-7	Valeria Carcamo
Year 5 Netball	W	17-6	Alicia Phuong, Eisis Sacdalan
Year 6 Netball	W	15-2	Emily Kamenjasevic, Natalia Martinez-Jamett
Year 3/4 Boys Soccer	W	5-1	Lachlan Phimmachanh
Year 5 Boys Soccer	L	0-4	Domenic Hanna
Year 6 Boys Soccer	W	5-0	Callum Garrett
Years 3-6 Girls Soccer	W	1-0	Chantelle Maniti
Years 3/4 Boys/Girls Basketball	W	4-2	Mark Carbone
Years 5/6 Boys Basketball	W	16-8	Kenny Huynh
Years 5/6 Girls Basketball	L	4-18	Sarah Tran
Junior Rugby League	W	30-10	Alex Smitala, Joseph Garske
Senior Rugby League	W	40-0	Vincent Nguyen, Isaac Capabianco

This week Years 4 & 6 Netball play against Edensor Park and Rugby League play against Fairfield Heights at Endeavour Park. Years 3 & 5 Netball have a bye this week. Soccer will play against Edensor Park at Allambie Reserve and Basketball will play against Canley Heights at GPK.

**Upcoming Events -
Week 3**

31 July - 2 August - Education Week and Book Week Fair.

Have a great week!

*Jason Corcoran
Principal*

Dear Parents / Carers,

The safe, respectful learner rule for this fortnight is 'Be Respectful. Speak politely to others.
Anna Dolz and Student Engagement Committee.



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Education Week: Monday 29th July-Friday 2nd August, 2013

“NSW Public Schools- Celebrating our Stories”

Book Fair is open in the Library every day this week.

Wednesday 31st July

8.20-8.45	Breakfast Club
8.50-9.00	K-6 Fitness- Top Pavilion
9.00-10.00	Year 6 and 5/6 SU Open Day- Languages

Thursday 1st August

8.50-9.00	K-6 Fitness- Top Pavilion
9.00-9.45	K-5 Open Day and Year 3 Languages
9.00-10.00	Year 5 and 4LT PASS Program with BPHS
10.15-10.55	Education Week Assembly K-6- Top Pavilion

Friday 2nd August

8.50-9.00	K-2 Fitness- Top Pavilion
10.15-10.55	Year 3/4 Singing- Hall
11.40-12.10	Year 1 & 2 Singing- Hall
12.30-3.00	Year 3/6 School Sport



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